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E.O. 11652: XGDS

TAGS: PFOR CH KN

SUBJECT: KIM IL-SUNG'S PEKING VISIT

1. WHILE MANY OBSERVERS IN SEOUL ARE INCLINED TO VIEW KIM IL-SUNG'S PEKING VISIT AS DESIGNED TO OBTAIN GREATER PRC SUPPORT FOR MORE IMMEDIATE NORTH KOREAN PRESSURE AGAINST ROK, ASSEMBLY SPEAKER CHONG IL-KWON TAKES MORE MODERATE VIEW. HE TOLD AMBASSADOR AND DCM IN PRIVATE CONVERSATION APRIL 18 THAT HE THOUGHT KIM'S AIMS WOULD BE:

A. TO CONSULT WITH CHINESE ON TACTICS FOR NEXT UNGA ASSEMBLY, PARTICULARLY THE HANDLING OF UN COMMAND AND US TROOPS ISSUES:

B. TO ASK PRC FOR BEHIND SCENES SUPPORT FOR DPRK ADMISSION TO NON-ALIGNED GROUP ; AND

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C. TO REQUEST AID TO ENABLE DPRK TO MEET ITS GROWING

FOREIGN EXCHANGE PROBLEM.

2. CHONG DID NOT ENTIRELY REJECT THESIS THAT KIM IL-SUNG MIGHT SEE INDOCHINA AFTERMATH AS IMMEDIATE OPPORTUNITY TO TEST US RESOLVE AND TO INCREASE PRESSURE OF ALL KINDS AGAINST ROK. HOWEVER, HE THOUGHT IT MORE LIKELY THAT KIM IL-SUNG WAS STILL AIMING AT LATE 1970'S AS TARGET DATE FOR EFFORT TO UNIFY KOREA BY FORCE AND THAT IN MEANTIME HE WOULD ACTIVELY SEEK TO STRENGTHEN KPRK'S INTERNATIONAL POSITION, ESPECIALLY AMONG NON-ALIGNED, AND TO HAVE US TROOPS REMOVED FROM SOUTH KOREA. HE THEREFORE THOUGHT THAT KOREANS STRATEGY MIGHT BE TO PERSUADE CHINESE, IN UPCOMING DISCUSSIONS WITH US, TO ARRANGE GRADUAL DRAW DOWN OF US FORCES FROM KOREA OVER NEXT SEVERAL YEARS.

3. COMMENT: WITTINGLY OR NOT, CHONG APPEARS TO BE DENYING CURRENT ROKG LINE, WHICH STRESSES IMMINENCE OF NORTH KOREAN THREAT. CHONG IS NORTH KOREAN AND LIVED FOR MANY YEARS IN MANCHURIA WHICH, HE ASSERTS, GIVES HIM A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF NORTH KOREAS/CHINESE MOTIVES THAN MOST KOREANS.  
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